

Amendments to the Claims:

Claims 1-16 (Cancelled)

17. **(Currently amended)** ~~The capacitor of claim 13;~~ A capacitor comprising:
a capacitor element including an anode and a cathode, and a separator intervening
between the anode and the cathode, wherein the anode and the cathode are rolled together with
the separator, so that the capacitor element is formed such that it includes a hollow section and
the anode and the cathode are oriented in opposite directions, and wherein each of the anode and
the cathode comprises a polarized electrode layer formed on a current collecting unit made of
metal foil;
a cylindrical metal housing having a bottom and enclosing the capacitor element and
driving electrolyte, wherein one of the anode and the cathode of the capacitor element is coupled
to an inner face of the bottom of the cylindrical metal housing; and
a terminal plate having an inner face coupled to the other of the anode and the cathode of
the capacitor element, said terminal plate sealing an opening of the metal housing,
wherein the inner face of the terminal plate is referred to as a reference plane, and the
reference plane is protruded toward an outer surface side leaving a plurality of belt-like coupling
sections which extend from a rim toward a center of the terminal plate, and the terminal plate has
a protrusion to be fitted into the hollow section of the capacitor element, and the terminal plate
also has a terminal at a center of its outer surface for external connection, so that said one of the
anode and the cathode of the capacitor element is brought out through the metal housing and said
other of the anode and the cathode of the capacitor element is brought out through the terminal of
the terminal plate, and
wherein the terminal plate has a rotation stopper formed of at least one of a dint and a
protrusion on the outer surface.

18. **(Currently amended)** ~~The capacitor of claim 13;~~ A capacitor comprising:

a capacitor element including an anode and a cathode, and a separator intervening between the anode and the cathode, wherein the anode and the cathode are rolled together with the separator, so that the capacitor element is formed such that it includes a hollow section and the anode and the cathode are oriented in opposite directions, and wherein each of the anode and the cathode comprises a polarized electrode layer formed on a current collecting unit made of metal foil;

a cylindrical metal housing having a bottom and enclosing the capacitor element and driving electrolyte, wherein one of the anode and the cathode of the capacitor element is coupled to an inner face of the bottom of the cylindrical metal housing; and

a terminal plate having an inner face coupled to the other of the anode and the cathode of the capacitor element, said terminal plate sealing an opening of the metal housing,

wherein the inner face of the terminal plate is referred to as a reference plane, and the reference plane is protruded toward an outer surface side leaving a plurality of belt-like coupling sections which extend from a rim toward a center of the terminal plate, and the terminal plate has a protrusion to be fitted into the hollow section of the capacitor element, and the terminal plate also has a terminal at a center of its outer surface for external connection, so that said one of the anode and the cathode of the capacitor element is brought out through the metal housing and said other of the anode and the cathode of the capacitor element is brought out through the terminal of the terminal plate, and

wherein the terminal plate includes a safety-valve mounting hole which also functions as an inlet for the driving electrolyte, and wherein the capacitor element has a recess which receives in a non-contact manner a safety valve, which is to be fitted to the safety-valve mounting hole; is provided to the electrodes of the capacitor element.

19. **(Currently amended)** ~~The capacitor of claim 13,~~ A capacitor comprising:

a capacitor element including an anode and a cathode, and a separator intervening between the anode and the cathode, wherein the anode and the cathode are rolled together with the separator, so that the capacitor element is formed such that it includes a hollow section and

the anode and the cathode are oriented in opposite directions, and wherein each of the anode and the cathode comprises a polarized electrode layer formed on a current collecting unit made of metal foil;

a cylindrical metal housing having a bottom and enclosing the capacitor element and driving electrolyte, wherein one of the anode and the cathode of the capacitor element is coupled to an inner face of the bottom of the cylindrical metal housing; and

a terminal plate having an inner face coupled to the other of the anode and the cathode of the capacitor element, said terminal plate sealing an opening of the metal housing,

wherein the inner face of the terminal plate is referred to as a reference plane, and the reference plane is protruded toward an outer surface side leaving a plurality of belt-like coupling sections which extend from a rim toward a center of the terminal plate, and the terminal plate has a protrusion to be fitted into the hollow section of the capacitor element, and the terminal plate also has a terminal at a center of its outer surface for external connection, so that said one of the anode and the cathode of the capacitor element is brought out through the metal housing and said other of the anode and the cathode of the capacitor element is brought out through the terminal of the terminal plate, and

wherein the terminal plate includes unitarily an annular rising section at a rim of the outer surface and a winding processing section extending ~~like~~ radially outwardly as a brim ~~along diameter direction~~ from an upper end of the rising section, and the winding processing section and the opening of the metal housing are wound together for sealing, and wherein a bottom face at the bottom of the cylindrical metal housing includes a terminal for ~~outer~~ external connection on its ~~outer bottom face~~.

20. (Currently amended) ~~The capacitor of claim 13;~~ A capacitor comprising:

a capacitor element including an anode and a cathode, and a separator intervening between the anode and the cathode, wherein the anode and the cathode are rolled together with the separator, so that the capacitor element is formed such that it includes a hollow section and the anode and the cathode are oriented in opposite directions, and wherein each of the anode and

the cathode comprises a polarized electrode layer formed on a current collecting unit made of metal foil;

a cylindrical metal housing having a bottom and enclosing the capacitor element and driving electrolyte, wherein one of the anode and the cathode of the capacitor element is coupled to an inner face of the bottom of the cylindrical metal housing; and

a terminal plate having an inner face coupled to the other of the anode and the cathode of the capacitor element, said terminal plate sealing an opening of the metal housing,

wherein the inner face of the terminal plate is referred to as a reference plane, and the reference plane is protruded toward an outer surface side leaving a plurality of belt-like coupling sections which extend from a rim toward a center of the terminal plate, and the terminal plate has a protrusion to be fitted into the hollow section of the capacitor element, and the terminal plate also has a terminal at a center of its outer surface for external connection, so that said one of the anode and the cathode of the capacitor element is brought out through the metal housing and said other of the anode and the cathode of the capacitor element is brought out through the terminal of the terminal plate, and

wherein a tip of the terminal for ~~outer~~ external connection provided at the center of the outer surface of the terminal plate includes a tip that is tapered to form a coupling section to be ~~caulked~~ deformed for coupling with a coupling member.

Claims 21 - 38 (Cancelled)

39. (Currently amended) The capacitor of claim 19 ~~includes a capacitor element which has a polarized electrode layer, which structures electrodes, formed on a current collecting unit leaving the current collecting unit in part exposed on, wherein~~ one end of the current collecting unit of each of the anode and the cathode has an exposed section, ~~and wherein a pair of the anode and the cathode in the polarized electrode layer are arranged such that the exposed section~~ sections of the current collecting unit ~~is~~ units thereof are oriented in opposite directions

~~relative to each other, and a separator intervenes between the pair of electrodes, and the pair of electrodes together with the separator are rolled for forming the capacitor element.~~

40. **(Currently amended)** The capacitor of claim 19 includes a capacitor element which has a polarized electrode layer, which structures electrodes, formed overall a current collecting unit, wherein a pair of the anode and the cathode in the polarized electrode layer are shifted in opposite directions from each other ~~and~~ such that their ends respectively protrude ~~their ends respectively~~ in opposite directions, and a separator intervenes between the pair of electrodes, and the pair of electrodes together with the separator are rolled for forming the capacitor element.

Claims 41 and 42 **(Cancelled)**